GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3148
ANSWERED ON:15.03.2000
BAN ON COW SLAUGHTER
CHANDRESH PATEL KORDIA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several social, religious, cultural, educational and other organisations have sought Union Government intervention to enact a legislation to ban cow slaughter;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this legislation is likely to be enacted?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Some representations were received demanding, in general, ban on cow slaughter and bring a Central legislation on the subject.

(c): As enjoined by Article 246(3) of the Constitution, the preservation of cattle is a matter on which the State has exclusive power to legislate. Hence the Union Government is not in a position to enact any Central legislation to impose ban on cow slaughter.